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To lure away this fantasy?
Your eyes . . . .

Your eyes!

THE BRINGERS OF GIFTS

High above the city
We stood, and watched the boats upon the river.

You had your dreams . . . .
But the deeper peace that I knew at last
Was not in your eyes' grey depths.

From the cup of my hands
You drank but the remembrance of sorrow;
I knew but the fragrance of your spirit
When the censer
Lay broken at my feet.

Above the city
We watched the life of the river.
We saw the lights appear . . . .

BELSHAZZAR

We were walled about with sinister intentions,
And the hot, sweet summer day was suddenly alive
With quickening fears.
We knew . . . . but we shut them out,
As one shuts out the unbearable sunlight of the dawn.